

REMARKS

Claims 10-19 remain for consideration in the above-identified patent application, claims 1-9 having been withdrawn by the present amendment and claims 15-19 are newly introduced.

The above listing of claims in the present response to a notice of non-compliant amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.121 includes text of all pending claims, including the text of currently withdrawn claims 1-9. Therefore, Applicants believes that the above listing of claims fully addresses all issues raised in the notice of non-compliant amendment of August 17, 2006.

Accordingly, entry of the above-referenced amendments to the claims is respectfully requested.

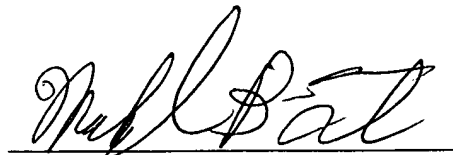
This response to a notice of non-compliant amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.121 is being filed within the statutory one month period for response set forth to expire on September 14, 2006, and therefore is believed to be filed in a timely manner.

Applicant respectfully invites the Examiner to telephone the undersigned at (858) 200-0587 should the Examiner have any questions concerning this response.

Respectfully Submitted,

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